

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

GEIDL et al.

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Serial No. 09/909,416

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For: Electronic Ink as a Software Object

COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Commissioner for Patents Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Applicants thank the Examiner for indicating that the claims are allowable. Applicants submit that the claims speak for themselves, and therefore that the Statement of Reasons for Allowance should not be used to interpret or in any way limit the claims, which may be patentable for additional reasons beyond those set forth in the Statement. Moreover, to the extent that the Statement of Reasons for Allowance paraphrase the language in the claims, applicant understands the claims to be broadly interpreted in light of the prior art.

Respectfully submitted,

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